that these drafts should be reviewed and modified taking into account the comments of the Chief Ministers of States and Union Territories expressed during this meeting before further consideration and adoption by the National Water Resources Council.

Tourism in M.P.

1973. SHRI PAWAN DIWAN : Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state :

(a) the number of action plans included in the Eighth Five Year Plan for promotion and development of tourism in Madhya Pradesh;

(b) the amount allocated for this purpose;

(c) the achievements made in this regard;

(d) the concrete steps being taken by the Government in this regard; and

(e) the details of ongoing Centrally sponsored tourism projects in Madhya Pradesh?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIKANTA JENA) : (a) to (e) The Central Department of Tourism sanctioned an amount of Rs. 79.96 lakhs for the implementation of 10 projects in Madhya Pradesh during Eighth Plan period. Out of these projects two have been completed.

L.P.G. Distributors

1974. SHRI BANWARI LAL PUROHIT : Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state :

(a) the criteria adopted for the appointment of L.P.G. distributor in the States;

(b) whether the Government of Maharashtra has urged the Union Government to appoint L.P.G. distributors at the places where there are no L.P.G. distributors in the State; and

(c) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (SHRI T.R. BAALU): (a) to (c) Requests are received from time to time from different States including Maharashtra for opening of more LPG distributorships in the State. These are referred to the Oil Industry for carrying out market survey. Locations found feasible are included in the Marketing Plan for opening of LPG distributorships there.

As per the existing policy, LPG distributorships are proposed to be opened in all towns having a population of 10,000 and above in a phased manner provided the town has adequate potential including that of the adjoining villages within 15 kms. radius to sustain an economically viable LPG distributorship.

[Translation]

Flood Control

1975. SHRI RADHA MOHAN SINGH : Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state :

(a) the expenditure incurred to control the floods in various States during each of the last three years; State-wise;

(b) whether the Government have formulated any scheme to control the floods occuring frequently in the last few years; and

(c) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI SIS RAM OLA) : (a) Statewise details of expenditure incurred on Flood Management works for the last three years are enclosed in the Statement attached.

(b) and (c) Flood Management being State subject, such schemes are planned and implemented by the State Governments out of their own State Plan fund. In the last three years (1994-95 to 96-97) 137 schemes were received and examined in Central Water Commission/Ganga Flood Control Commission of Ministry of Water Resources. Ganga Flood Control Commission (GFCC) and Brahmaputra Board under Union Ministry of Water Resources have prepared comprehensive plans for flood management for Ganga and Brahmaputra basins respectively and sent to the State Governments for formulation and implementation of detailed schemes. Union Ministry of Water Resources has set up Five Regional Task Forces in September, 1996 comprising senior Central and State Government officers to examine flood problems in five regions of the country, review existing remedial measures and to recommend solutions for controlling floods.

Statement

Expenditure in Flood Control Sector

(Rs. in crore)

S. No.	State/UT	Actual Expenditure 1994-95	Anticipated Expenditure 1995-96	Anticipated Expenditure 1996-97
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	55.75	30.0	10.00
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	2.48	3.22	3.85
3.	Assam	19.53	22.97	20.17
4.	Bihar	24.56	50.00	41.35
5.	Goa	0.22	0.30	0.80
6.	Gujarat	3.60	1.60	1.60